

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY ANKARA

TO AMEMBASSY BONN

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AMCONSUL FRANKFURT

C O N F I D E N T I A L ANKARA 1511

SECSTATE FOR A/SY/FO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC, ETRD, SZ, TU

SUBJECT: WATCH SMUGGLING CASE

REF: A) ANKARA 9020 B) ANKARA 5483 C) FRANKFURT 2382

1. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL INFORMED US FEBRUARY 21 THAT TURKISH EMBASSY BONN WAS REQUESTED ON OR ABOUT DECEMBER 20, 1974, TO SUBMIT REQUEST TO GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTRY FOR CUSTOMS DOCUMENTS AND OTHER DETAILS REGARDING WATCH SHIPMENTS THAT TRANSITTED FRANKFURT AIRPORT FROM ZURICH ENROUTE TO ANKARA. AS FOREIGN MINISTRY HAD NOT RECEIVED REPLY FROM ITS BONN EMBASSY, A SECOND INSTRUCTION WAS SENT OUT APPROXIMATELY TEN DAYS AGO REQUESTING THEIR EMBASSY TO FOLLOW UP ON THIS MATTER AND PROVIDE ANKARA WITH A REPORT ON THIS MATTER.

2. SO THAT WE MAY BE PREPARED TO RESPOND TO FOREIGN MINISTRY INQUIRY, SHOULD THIS POINT BE BROUGHT UP, WE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED WHETHER TURKISH EMBASSY BONN HAS EVER RAISED THE QUESTION OF YOUR SUPPORTING AN APPROACH TO THE GERMAN FOREIGN MINISTRY AS MENTIONED REF A. IF SO, WHAT ACTION, IF ANY, WAS TAKEN.

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